## INFORMATION SHEET

## **RESIDENTIAL CHILD CARE – 6 OR LESS**

- An accessible fire hydrant shall be located within 300 feet of the residence. If a hydrant is not available for adequate fire protection, an approved automatic sprinkler system must be installed. *CLV Ordinance #5115, 903.2 & Appendix III-B, Section 3*
- In new facilities and newly licensed facilities, all sleeping/napping rooms shall have smoke detectors that receive their primary power from the building's wiring and have battery backup. *NAC* 477.562
- Evacuation plan must be posted in a conspicuous place. NAC 432A.280
- Security bars, gates or other barriers are not permitted on exit doors and/or windows in rooms used for sleeping or napping. *CLV Child Care Regs*
- There must be 2 unobstructed exits, one of which shall lead directly outside. NRS 477.563
- In rooms used for sleeping or napping, windows must be openable from the inside. Windows must have a minimum height dimension of 24 inches, minimum width dimensions of 20 inches, and a minimum sill height of not more than 44 inches above the floor. *UBC 310.4*
- A fire extinguisher with a 2-A:10-B:C minimum rating must be within 75 feet travel distance and must be serviced annually by a state licensed agency. A current Nevada State Fire Marshal tag shall be attached. UFC 1002.1 & NAC 477.562
- Extinguishers must be mounted with the top no more than 5 feet from the floor. If the fire extinguisher is not readily visible, a sign shall be posted which states: "Fire Extinguisher". *UFC 1002.1*
- Heaters, wood stoves, fireplaces or other similar devices in rooms occupied by children shall be separated from the main part of the room by a non-combustible partition, wire screen, or protective metal guard. No portable heating devices or unvented wall heaters are allowed. *NAC 477.562*
- Fabric window coverings are not allowed in sleeping rooms used by the children. CLV Child Care Regs
  - **EXCEPTION:** Fabric coverings, which are inherently flame retardant from the manufacturer, or fabric window coverings that have been professionally treated may be allowed. A Manufacturers Data Sheet/Certificate of Flame Resistance and a sample of the material shall be provided to the fire department. Mini-blinds, vertical blinds, or woven wood shades shall be approved by fire prevention.
- Exit doors shall be openable from the inside without the use of a key or any special knowledge. *UFC 1207.3*
- Extension cords are not allowed in lieu of permanent wiring. UFC 8506
  - **EXCEPTION:** Circuit breaker protected multiple outlet strips plugged directly into outlet.

- Bathroom and closet doors must open from the inside without a key and must be able to be opened from the outside with the use of an appropriate device hung or placed near the door. *NAC* 477.562
- No more than 1 gallon of flammable liquid is allowed in the building or garage. CLV Child Care Regs
- Gas water heaters in a garage shall be located 18 inches above the floor. NFPA 54
- No smoking except in designated smoking area. NAC 477.562
- Building address is to be posted so it is visible from the street. All addresses for residential homes will be a minimum of 3½ inches in height if less than 50 feet from a property line; otherwise, must be 6 inches in height. All addresses require illumination. *CLV Ordinance #3744*
- Fire drills shall be held at least once a month. A record shall be kept of the date of the drill, and the amount of time the drill required to clear the building. A drill should not take longer than one minute for evacuation time, which is the required time for public elementary schools. *NAC 432A.280*
- Child-resistant covers must be installed on all electrical outlets accessible to children. NAC 477.562
- Exit paths shall be free of obstructions, which include rescue windows in sleeping rooms. UFC 1203
- Wastebaskets and garbage cans must be noncombustible. NAC 477.562
- Child care between the hours of midnight and 6:00 a.m. for 7 or more children must have a fire sprinkler system installed in accordance with NFPA 13. *NAC* 477.568

The items listed are basic information only. Codes are subject to change. Additional requirements may apply.

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